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REMARKS

Claims 1-10 and 12-20 are pending in this application. Applicants have claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16, while canceling claim 11. Applicants believe that no new matter has been added by this response and that the claims are in condition for allowance.

Response to Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 1-20 under the judicially created doctrine of obvious-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,680,695 and a double patenting rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101. Applicants have amended the independent claim and some of the dependent claims and the double patenting rejections are now moot.

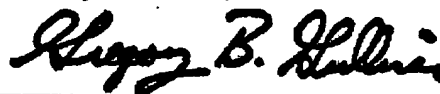
Applicants now submit that claims 1-10 and 11-20 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-10 and 12-20 as now presented are in a condition for allowance, for which action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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